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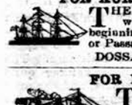

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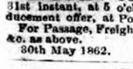

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30th May 1862.

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Bombay, 30th May 1862.

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Bombay, 30th May 1862.

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By order
W. TRACEY.
Clerk to the Commissioners.
Bombay Municipal Commissioners' Office, 29th May 1862.

Clause I. Schedule B.

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Do. Do.	Pints	„	13

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OPIUM MEMORANDUM for the week ending Tuesday, 27th May 1862.

| | Chests. | Account of Exports from 21st to 27th May 1862. | | |

THE Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, MAY 30, 1862.

We have received the "Seventh Annual Report of Her Majesty's Civil Service Commissioners." Besides the Report, the volume contains three appendices: I. Statistical Tables, &c., relating to the Home Civil Service. II. Correspondence as to the Home Civil Service. III. Civil Service of India. The volume is replete with interesting matter relating to these subjects.

The Lords Commissioners of the Treasury have completed their arrangements for preliminary test examinations for the departments under their control, in compliance with the recommendation of the Select Committee of the House of Commons appointed to enquire into the present mode of nominating and examining candidates for junior appointments, with a view of ascertaining whether greater facility may not be afforded for the admission of properly qualified persons. The general result is that candidates for clerkships and other appointments of the same description in the gift of their Lordships are now subjected to a preliminary examination, which includes, 1, handwriting, spelling, arithmetic, and English composition, a certain proficiency in which is indispensable for all such appointments; 2, other subjects, a knowledge of which is judged by the authorities of particular departments to be necessary for the proper discharge of official duty in those departments, as, for example, book-keeping in offices of account under the Board of Inland Revenue; and 3, a language, ancient or modern, where required by the rules previously in force. This is the only Department that has yet made arrangements for the preliminary test examination of condidates. The Board of Admiralty, however, have made an important change in the mode of admission to their Department, and while somewhat lowering the qualifications required for their establishment, have materially raised the standard for temporary clerkships, their intention being that no examination should hereafter be required on transfer from the lower situations to the higher. In addition to this important change made by the Board of Admiralty during the year under report, their Lordships have made another from which the best results are anticipated. They have been pleased to open to general competition the situations of engineer boys in their factories, and of apprentice in the several dockyards. For each class of appointments the abllity to read, write, spell and work sums in elementary arithmetic is required, and for the situation of engineer boy a knowledge of the first three books of Euclid is also required. The boys at some of the dockyards have acquitted themselves in a very satisfactory manner. An open competition was held for the situation of assistant schoolmaster in Devonport dockyard. Nine candidates were examined, and by the desire of their Lordships the mathematical portion of the examination included mechanics, hydrostatics, the differential and integral calculus, and the elements of differential equations. It is worthy of note that the candidate who distinguished himself in the higher mathematics had received his education in a dockyard school. In June last twenty-seven candidates for student interpreterships in China and Japan were examined under the direction of the Commissioners at the request of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs; and the Commissioners, in consequence of a communication received from the Colonial Office, were about to examine candidates for interpreterships at Hongkong. Numerous nominees for employment on the census of Great Britain and Ireland have been examined. The Irish candidates for this description of employment have not succeeded as well as those who, coming from a more educated class, have aspired to higher appointments. The certificates and rejections in this class for the year 1861, were as follows:—

	Certificates.	Rejections.
England	90	37
Scotland	21	17
Ireland	120	143
	231	197

This examination, moreover, is a very slight one.

The statistics of their Lordships' Commission to the close of last year are as follows:—

"The total number of nominations, from the 21st May 1855 to the close of 1858 (three years and seven months) was 7,942; and for the three years 1859, 1860, and 1861, taken together, it was 10,416; those of last year being 4,867.

"In 1856 the provincial clerks of the Post Office, and the letter-carriers employed by that department, altogether about 5,000 in number, were brought under the operation of the Order in Council. In 1859 arrangements were made for the grant of certificates to rural messengers, of whom there are more than 4,500, and since the Superannuation Act of 1859, we have also granted certificates for Admiralty artificers, on admission to the several dockyards. The total of this class is about 12,000.

"Certificates have since the commencement of the present year been granted for the artificers employed under the War Office.

"In further explanation of the great increase in the number of nominations, we may mention that 729 candidates have presented themselves for the preliminary examination which, as above mentioned, has been established by the Treasury.

"The examination of candidates for admission to the Admiralty factories and dockyards was first intrusted to us at the beginning of 1860, and 449 candidates were nominated in 1861.

"The number of persons nominated as competitors and of the situations for which they competed, have been as follows:—

	Competitors nominated	Situations competed for
1855-6 (19 months)	458	109
1857	351	106
1858	833	258
1859	1,179*	259
1860	705	242
1861	794	259
	4,320	1,233

* Including 391 persons who competed for nine writerships in the India Office.

"Of the 268 competitors in 1861, it appears that 41 obtained places sufficiently high to bring them within the number of situations competed for, and would have received appointments if they had not failed in particular subjects, these subjects being, except in 15 cases, of immediate practical utility for the discharge of their official duties. These failures have, of course been much diminished in number by the institution of preliminary test examinations.

The certificates and rejections in non-competitive examinations have been:—

	Certificates.	Rejections.
1855-6 (19 months)	1,686	880
1857	1,354	490
1858	1,154	292
1859	1,511	310
1860	1,675	317
1861	2,982	444
	10,362	2,733

"Out of the total number rejected (2,733), all but 145 have failed in arithmetic, in spelling, or in "reading the addresses of letters," a test to which candidates for the situation of letter-carrier and rural messenger are subjected. It will, however, be understood that of those who have failed in one or more of the qualifications specified, some have failed in others also.

"The cases in which candidates have been considered as ineligible in respect of age, health, or character, have been as follows:—

1855-7	218	42	35
1858	59	23	20
1859	66	16	21
1860	42	30	31
1861	113	22	47
	498	133	154

"The task of inquiring into the character of candidates is by no means an easy one and cannot be satisfactorily performed without the most confidential intercourse between those who can give information and those on whom the duty of deciding is imposed. Delay is sometimes occasioned, and there must sometimes also be dissatisfaction, which it would be difficult to meet, if it were conceded that an individual nominee has any thing of a vested interest in the appointment for which he is a candidate. But although it is, of course, our anxious desire to do justice to the candidate, we feel that the state has a right to the service of persons to whom no reasonable suspicion attaches; and that the Order in Council which requires proof, satisfactory to us, of the good character of the candidate rests upon the soundest principle.

"We have, on former occasions, adverted to the importance of maintaining proper limits of age; and we do not here repeat our observations. Fixed rules must, from time to time, be productive of hardship to individuals; and such cases of hardship cannot we believe, be met except by the argument that it is for the interest of the public that fixed rules should be maintained; and that the notion of fixed rules, which are to be relaxed as often as they interfere with the interests of individuals, is not a very reasonable one.

"The number of honorary certificates granted in successive years has been:—

1855-6	228
1857	159
1858	174
1859	182
1860	149
1861	136
	1,028

"The portion of the Report which relates to the Civil Service of India we reserve for a future notice.

SOME CHANGES IN BOMBAY FROM 1829 TO 1862.

40A. We left Mazagon by the wrong road in our hurry on the last occasion, and this subjects us to the necessity of retracing our steps before we enter the Fort. Leaving Mazagon by the south and turning westward we pass over ground which is celebrated in one of our English classics, and which a few of the oldest inhabitants of the village maintain is haunted by a stern ghost; it might be the ghost of Sterne, but of him they know nothing. The apparition used to be seen at the usual time, between midnight and cock-crowing, walking at a solemn pace, carrying under its arm its head which it had turned into a snuff-box, and out of which, by way of consolation or solace, it took an occasional pinch, making the "welkin ring" with its supernatural sneezing, and wiping its nose in a superfine cambric handkerchief. It is said that the P. and O. Company on taking up their position in Mazagon had the said ghost exorcised. But there are some sceptics in the neighbourhood who declare that his ghostship may still be seen thereabouts.

40B. Moving towards the Fort by the road to the eastward of Nowrojee Hill, which, by the way, has from the operations of the quarrymen been considerably reduced in size, we observe on the left side of the road, on a large piece of reclaimed ground, first the new cotton screws of the old and enterprising firm of Nicol and Company, and next the large cotton godowns of the same firm, and their bunder or pier. Those who remember the state at low water, in which that part of the beach which is now covered by these useful buildings formerly was, and who that has resided in "Belvidere" within the last fifteen years does not remember the nuisance? will doubtless allow that this change is likely to improve the healthiness of the village of Mazagon.

40C. Nearer to the Fort we pass another pier of comparatively recent structure, the Carnac bunder, built by a wealthy enterprising Native, after whom the pier is sometimes called "Bhao Russel's bunder." On the demise of the original owner the property fell into the hands of his son, Ramchundra Luximonjee, who, according to rumour, is about to dispose of it to Government.

41. Hornby Row was in 1829 as dirty a place as you could find any where. It became you to look well to your steps, if you essayed to walk through that Row, lest you should carry away on your feet a reminder. With great caution you might steer clear of the nuisance referred to; but in avoiding this, you were likely to come into contact with another, namely, pariah dogs and their puppies, snarling, growling, barking and yelping about your heels. Both of these nuisances disappeared; but the dogs were not got rid of without a riot; the poor puppies that could not speak found valuable advocates in the Parsees and other Natives who swore that they would do or die in defence of their canine proteges. A judge was mobbed and assailed with foul missiles as he entered the Fort; markets and shops were closed; the Fort constables had to fly for their lives, one taking refuge in the Commissariat Stores, another in the shop of a respectable Parsee, Jehangeer Nesserwanjee, we think; and Bombay Green gradually became the point in which all or nearly all the discontented accumulated. Great was the assemblage on the Bombay Green, on the 7th June 1832, and intense was the excitement that pervaded the crowd: thrice was the riot act read, and thrice, to no purpose, were the people commanded to disperse; have the wrongs of the pariah dogs redressed they would, or die on the Green. "With ball-cartridge, load!" was the next command given, not to the mob of course; down went the firelocks, in went the powder and ball, out gleamed the ramrods, and a motion was observed in the mass, and such a motion! Some of the front rank champions of the injured little dogs turned and fled, neither running nor walking: finding themselves blocked in by the dense mass without, they adopted a novel mode of putting a greater distance between themselves and the muskets; springing on the heads of the mob, the leaders drew themselves along, making use of both hands and feet in their progress over the heads and turbans of their fellow agitators. Not a shot was fired, but the dogs lost the day. It is said that they took their departure to Broach in boats; but how the dogs fared on their arrival at that port, or whether they reached it in safety, we have not been informed. We do not vouch for the truth of the assertion, that their ghosts are heard howling and yelping, especially on moonlight nights, among the timber stacks near the Strangers' Lines and on Belvidere Hill in Mazagon. However, Hornby Row is now a much cleaner and pleasanter place to walk through than it was in the days we have recalled. Let it and its inhabitants go on in improvement and prosperity.

42. The Cathedral did not carry so high a head when we first saw it as it does now. Indeed it was not a Cathedral then, but plain Saint Thomas's Church. On its becoming a cathedral, the upper portion of the present tower was added. Our first Protestant bishop was the Revd. Thomas Carr, whom we first knew as the humble, venerable, amiable and liberal minded Chaplain Carr. The times changed, and he rose in the church; but we are not aware that any undesirable change whatever took place in his character. The alteration in the building which followed on the church becoming a cathedral was not so complete as might have been desired; and further improvements have recently been made in the interior of the edifice and the windows. The singing now is on the whole very good. While we are in the cathedral now adays we can, for the time being, imagine ourselves at home, in the old old Temple Church or in old Saint Nicholas's. If between the present singing and that of Saint Thomas's Church thirty-three years ago, a comparison could be instituted, the result would be very unfavourable in regard to the performance of the earlier choristers. Sacred music, we are glad to notice, is obtaining much public favour.

43. Moving onwards we come to Bombay Green, which, although it is now unencumbered, was once the open receptacle for cotton bales, and presented an appearance though on a smaller scale much like that of the neighbourhood of Grant Buildings in the present day. What with cotton bales, pariah dogs, pigeons and dirt, the Green was by no means inviting either in smell or appearance. Strangers from England landing at the Custom House bunder in those days, whether in daylight, dusk or darkness, and emerging thence into the street were forcibly impressed with the opinion that Bombay was a nasty place. The cotton bales are now removed to a more open locality, the pariah dogs have been disposed of as before stated, and the pigeons alone remain to perpetuate the dirty memory of by-gone days. We fear the pigeons too are doomed. The Green is to be extended; and already has the pick-axe been heard on the structure which was known as the old Bombay Theatre; but which now no longer exists, it being necessary to clear away that and some other of the neighbouring buildings to admit of the desired extension. The green is to be beautified also, by the erection of symmetrical blocks of buildings, or crescents, around what is to be denominated the Elphinstone Circle.

44. There stands the Town Hall, facing you, and effectually obstructing the view of that old building, the Bombay Castle. Not that the castle is a very picturesque structure, or any thing like so sightly an edifice as the Town-Hall. Before the latter was erected, it was only finished in the year 1834, the grim castle used to frown on Bombay Green, and, probably in former times, to strike terror into the heart of the guilty beholder. As it has long since been deprived of its real terrors, nothing now remains to excite the tremulousness of weak minded individuals except the appearance of its exterior, all within being "merry as a marriage bell;" and in mercy to those of weak nerves, those walls are effectually screened from the eye of the casual observer, by the more graceful front of the Town-Hall. That Hall, too, has its solemnity. It is there that the Governor meets his ordinary Council, to decide matters of grave import to the people of the Bombay Presidency; it is there that he and his Council are installed into office; it is there that the great levee and *durbar* are held; it is there that our learned societies assemble to make known the results of their enquiries into art, science and literature; it is there that university honors are conferred on our aspirants for literary and scientific distinction; it is there that our greatest public meetings are held; it is there that our best general musuem and library are located; it is there that many lectures and speeches are delivered; it is there that may occasionally be heard the sweet music of the concert, or the solo performances of distinguished singers and instrumental performers. It may be said, that the last particulars have nothing to do with solemnity. We think they have. Lectures and speeches become solemn in this climate when they are too long, prosy or stupid; good music generally to the accurate in ear and taste, is solemn.

45. The coining operations of the mint, which stands between the Castle and the Town Barracks, had not commenced, when we arrived in Bombay. At present this establishment seems to be in better working order than the mints of the sister Presidencies; and the building is now in process of being enlarged, the growing wants of the Presidency rendering a more extensive establishment necessary. Some of our readers will remember the old rupee, the dumpy coin with an outlandish inscription on both sides and so unmusical that if you attempted to ring it on a table or a stone, it fell with a thud. It looked like a thickish piece of silver that had been first stamped, and then, by a series of choppings on the edges, reduced to the proper weight. Though the old rupee had neither the musical jingle, the high polish, the general symmetry, nor the artistic finish of the new one, it was received with complacency as good silver coin of the realm. We are far from wishing to run down the old rupees. We shall leave that operation to the employés in the mint when they may be in a melting mood, and able to get any of the old coin to work upon.

INTELLIGENCE.

LATEST.

(By Electric Telegraph.)

PONDICHERY.

H. I. M. steamer *Entreprenante*, sailed for Reunion yesterday.

HYDRABAD DECCAN, *29th May*, 6-30 P. M.

Two hundred houses destroyed by fire at Chandah this day.

LOCAL.

We notice that Mr. J. W. S. Wyllie, of the Bombay Civil Service, has been appointed to act as Under Secretary to the Government of India in the foreign department at Calcutta, during Mr. Aitchecon's absence in Europe.

We learn that the religious dissensions which have so long prevailed among the Roman Catholics in British India are about to be healed up. The last English Mail is said to have brought authentic intelligence that upon an emphatic appeal by the Portuguese Government, the Pope has consented to issue the necessary credentials to the Archbishop Elect of Goa; but on certain conditions, the first of which is that the new Archbishop will proceed to Goa within twenty four hours of his arrival in Bombay; and as this condition could not be fulfilled if the Prelate arrived here during the three following months, his departure has necessarily been deferred until after the rains. The condition referred to is said to have been exacted as a *sine qua non*, as the Pope insists that the Goa Priests in Bombay have incurred all the penalties which the Roman Catholic Church provides for wilful recusancy, and to mark his displeasure at their misconduct, he insists that the new Archbishop shall not on arrival in Bombay hold communion with the said priests. If the new Archbishop, unlike his predecessor, be conscientious enough to act to the strict letter of his instructions, it would seem that the Goa Clergy in Bombay are in a sorry predicament,—but the new King of Portugal is said to be a favorite in Rome, and it is not unlikely that after the Archbishop has been installed in office, the young King may intercede on behalf of the recusant priests and obtain for them a mitigation of the Papal ire.

We give a place in our local columns to the following "Hints on the Treatment of Horses at Sea," by a Gibraltarian. The writer is a man of experience in the matter, whose services have been acknowledged by the Government, both in England and in India, in flattering terms.

Introduction.

"In attempting to bring this subject before the public, the writer has no other object in view than that of imparting to such of his fellow countrymen as may hereafter be entrusted with the charge of Horses on sea voyages a few observations on the "preservation of their health," which important object if carefully attended to will very seldom, if ever, fail in accomplishing the desires of all who are placed in that responsible capacity; and inattention to which was oftentimes in the writer's candid opinion, the cause of the loss of so very many horse "en voyage" during the late Crimean war and Indian mutiny: another cause being incompetency on the part of many who undertook this responsibility; and he trusts he may not be thought egotistical in stating that, in a great measure, it was to adherence to the rule "Prevention is better than cure" he was indebted for the acknowledgment which, on *both* these occasions, he received from the military authorities at home and in India.

Preparing Horses for embarkation.

It will be found beneficial to give Horses intended for embarkation moderate exercise for a week or ten days previously, in order that their legs may not become swollen by constant or too much rest in the stable; and during this period they should be slightly physiced, with the view of *better* preparing their stomachs for the digestion of their provender at sea, where there is total absence of bodily exercise; as it tends to the cleanliness of their intestines—the removal of any secretion or superfluous fat—and eventually succeeds in the improvement of their general appearance and health: care should here be taken to guard against unpleasant consequences, which during such operations have been already known to take place.

I would also recommend that Horses should, two or three days before being embarked, be newly shod, (though I dare say my advice in this instance may by some be unheeded) their heels nicely opened, the 'bars' left firm, and the 'frog' high and clean: these simple precautions should not be overlooked, for I have by personal experience and attention become satisfied that Horses which have been newly shod previous to their embarkation and who have had these cautions attended to, have by far better protected their hoofs from contraction, and other unpleasant results which sometimes arise from a long sea voyage when shoeless.

They should not, on the morning of their embarkation, be allowed to eat or drink freely, as the 'slings' bear considerably against the abdomen,—causing them for a few days afterwards to feel the effects of it and fail of their usual appetites.

PRIVATE letters from England inform us that Mr. James Berkley, the eminent Resident Engineer of the G. I. P. Railway, finds his health so much improved, that it is his intention to return to India during the ensuing cold season. He has had a very severe trial, and is still so weak as to be unable to walk without the aid of a stick. When he again returns to England, we suppose it will be for good, as that great triumph of railway engineering, the Bhore Ghaut, will by that time have been completed.—*Deccan Herald, May* 28.

A. D. C.'S TO SIR BARTLE FRERE.—It is rumoured among the highest circles in the Station that His Excellency Sir Bartle Frere is about to appoint Lieutenant J. Grierson, son of our old and worthy friend Dr. Grierson, and Captain Leith of the 14th N. I., as his Aide-de-Camps. We congratulate Lieut. Grierson on his appointment, of which we believe there is no doubt, and trust it will lead to the advancement for which his abilities qualify him so eminently.—*Our Paper, (Kurrachee) May* 23.

STATEMENT of the amount of Government Currency Notes in circulation, of the amount of Coin and Bullion in the Reserve, and Government Securities held by the Departments of Issue of Paper Currency, on the 30th April 1862:—

	Calcutta.	Bombay.	Madras.	Total.
Notes in Circulation	2,30,00,000	1,50,00,000	30,00,000	4,10,00,000
Silver Coin Reserve	1,89,99,221	28,00,000	30,00,000	2,47,99,221
Silver Bullion Reserve	.....	1,22,00,000	.....	1,22,00,000
Government Securities	40,00,779	.....	.....	40,00,779

(Signed) H. HYDE,
Head Commr. Dept. of Issue of Paper Currency.
E. DRUMMOND,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

—*Calcutta Government Gazette, May* 21.

THE health of the Town still continues in a declining state. The prevailing epidemic is cholera, which is chiefly confined to the lower orders of the native population. The mortality from fever during the last week was much greater than that of the preceding one. The total number of deaths during the past week amount to 316 against 325 of the week preceding; showing but little change. The following is a classified table of the casualties:—

EUROPEANS:	
Cholera	4
Other diseases	12
INDO-EUROPEANS:	
Cholera	0
Other diseases	0
HINDOOS:	
Cholera	69
Small-pox	6
Fevers	82
Other diseases	51
MUSSULMANS:	
Cholera	6
Fevers	35
Other diseases	14
PARSEES:	
Cholera	1
Fevers	5
Other diseases	7
JEW:	
Cholera	1
NATIVE-CHRISTIANS:	
Cholera	6
Fever	5
Other diseases	6
NEGRO-AFRICANS:	
Cholera	1
Other diseases	4
UNKNOWN RACE:	
Various diseases	1

SUMMARY OF CHIEF DISEASES.

	deaths.	mean.
Small-pox	8	20
Cholera	88	52
Measles	0	8
Fevers	129	156
Nervous system	6	12
Respiratory system	29	24
Alimentary	26	34
Cachexy	16	20

WEATHER REPORT.

State of weather at 9 A. M. *28th May.*

BROACH.—Wind, S. W. light, Thermometer 89°

BULSAR.—N. W. moderate.

CANNANORE.—Northerly light.

COCHIN.—Not received.

GALLE.—Westerly moderate, Thermometer 82°

GOA.—N. W. light, and cloudy.

KOLAPORE.—N. W. light.

KURRACHEE.—West light.

MAHABLESHWAR.—Westerly light, Barometer 26·40, Thermometer 63°.

MADRAS.—N. E. light Thermometer 86°

OOTACAMUND.—Not received.

PAUMBEN.—Calm, Thermometer 89°

SURAT.—S. W. light.

BOMBAY POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

FORT POLICE OFFICE.

Thursday, 29th May 1862.

(BEFORE N. OLIVER, ESQ.)

FURIOUS DRIVING.—*Mhadoo Moorar*, a Bhattia, was charged with driving his buggy in a manner so furious as to indicate a want of due regard for the safety of others, and thereby causing damage to the carriage of Dr. Trestrail.

Mr. Sangster appeared for the defendant.

Dr. John Trestrail stated.—I am Surgeon in H. M's. service attached to the 18th Regiment, Bombay. I know the defendant. On the evening of the 26th instant as I was driving from the Esplanade towards the Borse Bunder Railway Station, my coachman was on the box with me. As I was crossing the road from the Fort to Bazar, I saw defendant coming in a four-wheeled carriage on the wrong side of the road, and driving at about ten miles an hour. I was driving about six miles an hour. When first I saw him he was about 50 or 60 yards off. He continued his pace until he got quite close, his horse came in contact with my carriage, giving it a very heavy concussion, binding up one of the splashboards, breaking the iron of it, also scratching the paint off the panel of my carriage. This was from thorough negligence on defendant's part. His driving decidedly indicated want of due regard for the safety of others. There were lots of carts. I jumped off on to the road.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sangster.—That is a crowded place. I was going to the Railway. I was in very good time, because, although I stopped to give him in charge I was several minutes before the train left. It was not necessary for him to go on the wrong side. He left the carts that he passed on the left. In passing them he had to get out of the road. He passed the carts on the right hand side leaving them to his left. He was driving nine or ten miles an hour, I considered that fast in a public thoroughfare where there are many carriages. The only side clear was his wrong side. This took place just at the junction where the four roads meet—a very likely place for a smash unless you drive carefully. Defendant did not slacken speed until he got so close that it was useless. The actual amount of damage done to my carriage was not much. I was driving a pair of my quiet horses. Defendant and another man who was with him in the carriage offered to pay damages. They both came to my house and offered to pay damages.

Several witnesses were examined both for the prosecution and the defence. His Worship said that taking all the circumstances and the material discrepancies in the evidence into consideration, he came to the conclusion that defendant was guilty of the charge.

Defendant was accordingly fined fifty Rupees: in default to suffer two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

THEFT.—*Wittoo Sykoo*, a Hindoo, apparently a vagrant, was brought up for stealing a looking-glass and three tumblers, of the aggregate value of Rs. 6-8, the property of Lieut. W. R. Adams, of the 23rd Regiment N. I.

The prisoner pleaded not guity and urged that he was intoxicated at the time he was taken up.

Prosecutor stated that at about half past seven o'clock on Wednesday evening last all these articles were safe in his house in the aplanadium when he went to dinner. While at the Mess-house, he received information and went to his tent where he saw prisoner lying on the ground with his hands tied behind him. The articles were in the hands of one of the bystanders.

Coolsum, wife of Mr. Adam's butler, said that on the evening in question she saw the prisoner in her master's tent. She called out to him twice, but he did not answer. She then called the Ranedee. Prisoner ran, but he was seized and brought back. Witness saw the articles in the hands of the prisoner.

Fultay Mahomed, brother-in-law of the last witness, said that in consequence of the information he received from the last witness, he went to the cobler's tent and saw the prisoner inside. Prisoner went out. Witness put out his hand when the looking-glass in prisoner's hand struck his hand. Witness pursued the prisoner and seized him at Lieut. Cousmaker's bungalow, and found the tumblers and looking-glass under his arm.

The Rumoosee confirmed the evidence of the last witness.

Prisoner in defence said.—I did not steal. I was standing, and an alarm of thief was raised.

HIS WORSHIP deferred the sentence until the following day for enquiry regarding the prisoner's previous convictions.

EXTENSIVE EMBEZZLEMENT.—*Narayen Bhow*, a killadar or cashier in the employ of the firm of Nurrotum Hurribhoy, was brought up in custody on a charge of fraudulently misapplying in breach of trust Bank Notes of the value of Rs. 13,800, the property of his master.

Prosecutor stated that since the last few days he had discovered that Bank Notes to the amount of Rs. 13,800 were missing from the treasure-chest in his counting-house. He had suspicions against the prisoner who had the custody of the chest, but there was no evidence that the prisoner had appropriated the money.

In the absence of any evidence, His Worship ordered the prisoner to be discharged, cautioning him to appear when required.

LECTURE ON THE PERSIAN WAR OF 1856-57.

We had the pleasure of being present at the Lecture given by Mr. JOHN FIRTH, on Tuesday evening at the Byculla Library, Albion Place. The subject selected was the Persian War in 1856-57, interesting in itself and rendered still more so, by the present aspect of affairs in Central Asia.

Mr. Firth had evidently studied the details with care, and appeared to be perfectly familiar with them. We are sorry to say, however, that the Lecture was not so well attended as it deserved to be. Indeed we think a general lecture might be read to the majority of the denizens of Bombay, who seldom can be induced to respond to any effort that is made either for their amusement or instruction.

Upon the conclusion of the Lecture, several gentlemen took part in an interesting conversation on the various topics which had been suggested by it, and before the Meeting separated, a vote of thanks to Mr. Firth was proposed and carried by acclamation. It was also unanimously agreed that he should be requested to allow the Lecture to be published,—a request to which he kindly acceded. It commenced as follows:—

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—In selecting this subject for our reading this evening, I have been influenced by several reasons. One particular reason is that I think information on *any* current political subject should be sought and imparted. I am quite sure those amongst us who are newspaper readers, will have noticed the repeated reference to Persia, in nearly every Indian paper, and they will have noticed how vague and various the discussion appears to them, if they have not previously studied the subject. I consider that a narrative of the last Persian War, though only brief, provided it touches on all the transactions of our expedition, should give us some enlightenment on the expediency, and the necessity or otherwise of another similar expedition. I am not aware of any published History of that War. The late Captain Hunt's journal has been published, but I believe that does not narrate the history of the expedition from Bombay, but only the latter portion. I have not, unfortunately, been able to obtain that journal for perusal.

I have also taken up this subject of the Persian War, because having been initiated in India, it is fairly a subject of Indian interest; and because Bombay having been the port from whence the expedition started, it is also one of local interest. Moreover Bombay troops and the Indian Navy formed the expeditionary force, and many gentlemen with whom we daily came in contact and with whose faces we were familiar in our public places, were summoned hence to that battle field. I remember how they concentred in Bombay with emulation for active service, how officers enjoying the emoluments of staff berths here, resigned their ease and safety for the toil and peril of field service.

I remember how on the line of railway, the troops poured down to Bombay and many a domestic episode occurred, husbands parting from wives and children, with brave unflinching spirits, yet conscious that this might be their last look on a favoured home. The Club and hotels were full, the adjoining grounds were white with tents. There was General Stalker, leader of the expedition, whose string of horses for the then approaching Byculla races, were left to compete for the laurels of the turf, while their owner was seeking the laurels of war. It was hence the gallant Lieutenant Colonel Havelock, then comparatively unknown to fame, was summoned from the irksome office desk to active work in the field, and subsequently the noble Outram hastened, as was his wont, to the scene of war. Though the Persian War we are about to discuss was comparatively a bloodless one for our troops, yet from the paucity of casualties, those that did occur left their impress on our minds. Among the first we heard of were those of Brigadier Stopford and Colonel Malet, the latter shot down in the hour of victory by a vanquished Persian, who gesticulating for mercy was saved by Colonel Malet from our soldiers' sword; the Persian repaid the generous act by snatching a machlock and shooting his preserver in the back. This and other treacherous deeds enraged our soldiers, and many a Persian after that was refused the quarter which our usual practice concedes to the vanquished. Later, a profound sensation was created by the intelligence that General Stalker had committed suicide, and but a few days after Commodore Ethersey terminated his own existence. Charity to the dead forbids our seeking too deeply for the motives of such tragic acts. Temporary insanity is the safest answer to the question; indeed it is probably the correct one. For in the absence of any disasters to the army and ships, these leaders were at the head of, the inference is, that their minds had given way under the pressure and responsibilities of official work, tasks more harassing to lion-hearted fighters than the vicissitudes and risks of actual war.

I gossip on about these reminiscences because in the small community of Bombay these occurrences were deeply impressed on us, but the Persian war which roused up Bombay in all its war departments, will ever be remembered as being only the prelude of that never-to-be forgotten Mutiny of 1857; participants as many of us were in the terrors, if not in the battles, which marked the European community in 1857, we cannot but remember with lively gratitude the providential circumstances that seemed shaped for our rescue. Not the least of these was the speedy termination of the Persian War, which sent back our reluctant warriors to Bombay harbour just in time to meet the stern news which swept over the continent of India; so nicely timed—so opportune was their arrival, that the troops did not even debark from their transport ships in the harbour; but at once, under new sailing orders, started for Calcutta.

As president of your library, I was desirous of setting an example to the members to give lectures and promote discussion on literature and current topics, and some months ago I thought the present subject might be made one of interest; since then, lowering circumstances at Herat have rendered the topic one of daily interest, even solicitude, for the state of affairs now in Affghanistan is almost coincident with those of 1856. If I wish to pourtray to your minds the state of things antecedent to 1856, I have only to say they were then just as now. Then as now, Herat was the one word which set all Indian politicians thinking and writing.

If we take a map of Asia we see Herat is placed upon the North-West corner of Affghanistan, near to the frontier of Persia; it is in fact the first large city which an invading army would meet when advancing from the upper boundary of Persia. It is an independent principality in Affghanistan: its normal state we may, I think, safely say, has been for the last 30 years one of turbulent revolutions, constantly the scene of struggles amongst its chiefs for the disputed right to its throne. Of these disputes the English took no notice, as indeed they had no wish or right to interfere, but in 1855, the Shah Mahomed Yusuf, the rightful heir,—had gained possession of his throne. It was known that he leant very favourably towards Persia; and it is supposed that to gain help against the very strong Anti-Persian party then in Herat, he had encouraged the Persians to send an army to advance on that city. So high did the party feeling run, that the prince, finding himself in the minority, and afraid of the Anti-Persian party, headed by a chief named Esa Khain, fled and took refuge in the Persian camp, which was then encamped on Herat, which place they besieged and conquered in October 1856. Now here was the real cause of war, between the English and the Persians. Our statesmen think it necessary for the better security of our Indian empire, that Affghanistan should be preserved free from Persian dominance; for Herat would, no doubt, be a link in the chain of communication between Russia and India, and if in Persian hands might be at the dictation of Russia.

However, as to the actual barm arising from Persia holding Herat, it is one of those questions which must puzzle the ordinary reading public exceedingly. If we take up the first newspaper to hand—should it be one that is smitten with Russophobia, we shall read that when Herat falls to Persia, the key of India has been snatched from us, and that the conquest of India by the Russians is but a question of a few year's time! But if the reader turns to another paper, he will find satirical phrases against the Russian fright, and that the design and ability of Russia, to advance on India, via Herat, exists only in the brains of panic-mongers. Neither extreme however is or ought to be advocated; but it is highly desirable that the independence of Afghanistan should be preserved entire, and it is in the legitimate scope of our statesmen to be watchful to maintain that end, even to the extent of declaring war, if our treaties with Persia or Russia should be infringed.

In 1856, Herat was in a flourishing, on receipt of news of the fall of Herat, proclaimed war. And so masterly and prompt were our arrangements, that in about a month—say on the 5th December 1856, all our ships, with the entire expedition consisting of 6000 fighting men, with 4000 followers, with horses, bullocks and guns, anchored off Bushire. The Proclamation of War, dated from Calcutta 1st November 1856, had not then reached the Government of Bushire, when our fleet anchored in the Bushire roadstead.

This fleet, which was probably ten times larger than any previously seen in those waters, must have surprised his Excellency, whose Persian magnificent title is Durreya Jey, or the "Lord of the Seas."

It is, I believe, every where acknowledged that the equipment of our large expeditionary force, organised entirely by the Bombay Government under Lord Elphinstone, was most effectively done. From personal recollection of the time I can say there was great practical energy shown in all the executive departments, resulting in the despatch of the force in an incredibly short time. I however remember, that we Civilian residents, who stayed idly at home, did not escape without paying for the war, for provisions ran up to fabulous prices. On the flats, in the open air, about 300 yards from this building, might be seen about 20 screw-presses working night and day pressing the hay for shipment; with such demand, the cost of hay for feeding a horse went up to war prices; and thus in many ways the war was brought home to us in Bombay. At this present time we know to our cost that the mere rumour of another war is adroitly made an excuse to double the price of horse fodder.

When our force arrived at Bushire we requested the Governor to surrender up the fortified town, but this he declined to do, so our forces had to be landed as best we could in the face of the foe. It was found that our larger frigates could not approach much within a mile of the shore owing to the shelving coast, we therefore selected a better spot called Hallilieh Bay, which is some six miles south of Bushire. The debarkation was effected without loss. Our first passage of arms was then brought about some distance from Bushire, for advancing on the road to that place we came upon a square earthwork called Reshire, I think, in which about 400 of the enemy had taken up their position, and opened a smart matchlock fire on our advanced party. These fell back on the main body. General Stalker then disposed his force so as to encircle the redoubt as much as possible to prevent escape, while the 2nd Europeans and 64th Regiments assisted by the 25th Native Infantry, gave the assault. Brigadier Stopford, of the 64th, led the assaulting column up the sides of a ditch and parapet under a heavy matchlock fire, and was there shot dead on the parapet. Lieutenants Utterson and Warren also received their death wounds here. Our other casualties were few, and the whole storming lasted but a few minutes, for the enemy ran out at the rear resting on the sea, and many of the Persians escaped along the rocks before our riflemen were aware of their flight. It was then that Colonel Malet with his Cavalry hastened down to the beach and cut off the fugitives who had eluded our rifles. The Persians in most cases refused to surrender, probably not believing nor understanding our soldiers' signs and orders to do so. But Colonel Malet, seeing one hold up his hands for mercy, desired a soldier to spare the man's life: yet as Colonel Malet passed, the Persian snatched a matchlock and shot his preserver dead. The death of these several officers threw a sad gloom over the first efforts of our force; and the news coming upon us in Bombay as the first-fruits of the war, augured badly in our conjectures for its bloodless termination.

We subsequently ascertained that this small garrison of 400, more than half of whom were left dead on the field, deserved some sympathy, for they were doubtless victims of the Bushire Governor's recklessness, the post into which they were thrown was isolated, and could not possibly be defended after their scanty ammunition and small supply of dates were exhausted; and the defence of the post itself effected no strategic purpose. It was thought, however, that the Bushire Governor's purpose was not abortive, inasmuch as he freed himself from a band of too turbulent half-bred Persians, whose obedience was not easily commanded.

Our troops bivouacked for a night about five miles from Bushire, and on the following morning took up a position on the land side of the fortress, which is at the end of a small peninsula. The governor was summoned to yield but refused, and it seemed that a short siege would be necessary as the walls were too high for escalade and stretched right across the land face. From the sea our ships could only come within twelve or fourteen hundred yards of the town, their bombardment therefore was not very injurious to the large place. However the governor's resolution gave way as he saw our troops advancing along the peninsula, and he ordered his flagstaff to be cut down, and surrendered the fort. About 2,000 regular troops were marshalled out and laid down their arms; and being made to sit in rows were for a night kept under guard. No doubt this one night was one of painful suspense to them, for their own mode of warfare sanctions rapine and massacre at the taking of a fort, and the fate they probably expected was certain death from our hand. However in the morning General Stalker liberated them all; and they

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THE MUSIC AT THE OPENING OF THE EXHIBITION.

(From the Saturday Review, May 3.)

In the pageant which inaugurated the Exhibition of 1851, the music was limited to two or three very simple pieces, executed by about a thousand performers, as great doubts were then entertained whether even so large a body of singers could produce a musical or pleasing effect, or whether their efforts would not be absorbed and lost in the vast space of the enormous building. The success, however, which was then achieved (and few who were present can forget the effect produced by the "Old Hundredth," and "God save the Queen," with Clara Novello's magnificent delivery of the solos), gave rise to the colossal meeting with which the public has since become familiar. On the opening, therefore, of the present Exhibition, it was naturally wished to give a distinct feature to the musical portion of the ceremonial. Her Majesty's Commissioners accordingly requested the assistance of four composers to represent the musical art of Italy, Germany, France and England. The representatives, with one exception, were well chosen. France, Italy, Germany, and England were to be represented by Auber, Verdi, Meyerbeer, and Professor Bennett. We should consider Meyerber, although a German by birth, as belonging rather to the French than to the German school of music; and we should have preferred that modern German Music should, if possible, have been represented by Herr Wagner in place of the distinguished composer of *Les Huguenots* and *Dinorah*. To Professor Bennett was entrusted the writing of the Laureate's ode. MM. Auber and Meyerbeer have respectively contributed a march and an overture; but these pieces differ only in name, the form of the compositions being very similar. Signor Verdi, from whom a march was also requested, composed a cantata for solo (to be sung by Tamberlik) and chorus; but although the Commissioners were informed more than a month ago that this piece was at their disposal, they somewhat ungraciously delayed intimating their acceptance or refusal of the cantata till it was too late to prepare it; and accordingly Italy was on Thursday, musically, unrepresented. We think Signor Verdi has good cause to complain of the manner in which he has been treated, and this is not the only mistake which has attended the musical arrangements of Her Majesty's Commissioners.

No one has secured such confidence in his direction of large masses of performers as Mr. Costa, and the Commissioners wisely, therefore, in the first instance, entrusted to him the organization of the orchestra and chorus for the performance of the works we have mentioned. But, unfortunately, some years ago, when Mr. Costa was the conductor of the Philharmonic Concerts, Professor Bennett took the very excusable liberty of suggesting the time at which one of his own compositions should be taken. From this trifling circumstance the present difficulties have arisen. The autocrat of the orchestra, having nursed his resentment, expressly stipulated with the Commissioners that he should not be expected to conduct any work of Dr. Bennett's, "if he should be asked to compose one." It was of course open to Mr. Costa to show his gratitude to the English nation for its constant and liberal recognition of his talents, and also to evince his respect to a Court through whose countenance and support he has mainly obtained his present position, by intruding a petty personal pique into the arrangements for the opening ceremonial of a great national undertaking. That the Commissioners, however, should have lent themselves to such conduct is much to be lamented. They ought never to have suffered Mr. Costa to dictate whom they should request to compose, or what works he would or would not conduct—especially when such dictation was meant to gratify a petty personal feeling in the exclusion of our greatest English musician from a post to which his talents and position entitled him. Professor Bennett was most anxious to do everything in his power to remove the misunderstanding which existed between himself and Mr. Costa. He expressed to the Commissioners his desire to call upon Mr. Costa with his work; but for seven months he was kept in ignorance of the compact they had allowed Mr. Costa to make. It was idle to ask Professor Bennett himself to name a conductor. The Commissioners, having selected Mr. Costa as the ablest man to superintend the performance of the music, should have insisted on his superintending *all* or resigning his baton into more generous, even if less able, hands. It was not fair to thrust on Professor Bennett the invidious task of nominating any one for so ungracious a position, especially considering the difficulties his nominee must inevitably have encountered from the feeling Mr. Costa has displayed on this occasion. Still less, perhaps, should the Commissioners have ultimately entrusted Professor Bennett's work to a gentleman who, though deservedly popular, and unapproachable as a leader, has not had the opportunities and experience to enable him to secure precision and steadiness in so large a body of musicians. We take leave of this disgreeable subject with regret that such a spirit should have been exhibited to the world on a public occasion like the present.

Amongst the disadvantages of the present building as compared with that of 1851, not the least is its unfitness for transmitting sound. More tone was produced in the former building, and certainly the effect is more satisfactory at Sydenham. At no time on Thursday was so full a body of sound obtained as in the Handel Festival of 1857, although the numbers engaged were about the same. The transepts on each side of the dome swallow up an immense portion of the sound, so that as the commencement of the nave—except the brass instruments and the drums—little is heard unless the band is playing fortissimo, and then the reverberation causes considerable indistinctness. The band on Thursday numbered about 400, and the chorus more than 2000. The first piece was of course "God save the Queen," in the course of the roll of the side-drums. The solos were sung by the chorus in unison, each of the upper voices in turn taking a verse. Meyerbeer's overture or march succeeded. As Meyerbeer was present at the Handel Festival of '59, he was perfectly aware of the conditions under which he was composing, and we had anticipated something broader and more massive than the work he has produced. The opening movement is introduced by the double basses in a fine rolling passage, which, however, was robbed of much of its distinctness by the nature of the building. A new subject is then given out by the wood band, which leads to a return of the opening movement by the full orchestra. This, in its turn, is followed by a slow movement—a sort of religious march, which is very graceful, and exhibits all the well-known peculiarities of the composer. Here again some of the effects of the instrumentation were lost, especially the passages given to the *Corno Inglese*. After a second return to the opening movement, a quick step is introduced, with which all London, or rather all dancing London, will soon be familiar, as the "quick step" will inevitably retain its character in the drawing-room and become a popular galop. In its place, however, in the overture, it sounded somewhat common-place. "Rule Britannia" forms the subject upon which the composer has worked for the close. We first hear it from the wind, it is then distributed among the deeper stringed instruments, and after an episode in which the quick step is introduced, the wind instruments give out the melody supported by a running accompaniment of the strings, too suggestive perhaps of the close to the overture of *William Tell*. Meyerbeer has evidently spent considerable care and ingenuity upon this piece, and in a concert-room the beauties of the instrumentation will make themselves known. It presents several of those peculiar modulations and piquant rhythms which Meyerbeer always introduces, but we thought a more massive treatment would have secured greater success. It was extremely well played, and few could have detected that till Thursday it had been unseen by any one in the orchestra.

The Laureate's Ode succeeded this overture. This opens with a chorale supported by the trumpets alone, producing a very solemn impression, and the ear rested on the grave melody and sustained harmonies with all the more satisfaction from the feverish attention which the preceding piece had required. The second verse of the chorale is accompanied by the full orchestra. To this succeeds a movement in a minor key which was admirably sung. There is a charming effect obtained here by an accompaniment given to the strings, and the close to this movement struck us as one of the most exquisite passages in the music of the day. A chorale recitative, at first accompanied only by the trumpets, but afterwards falling into a more measured rhythm with full orchestra, leads us back to the opening chorale and the ode concludes with a graceful flowing chorus, the melody of which is fortunately the freshest in the work. We were delighted that Professor Bennett has been able on this occasion perhaps to advance, certainly to sustain, his reputation. Throughout he was an individuality as great as in the works of our foreign guests. Although written for so large a chorus, we are convinced the effect will be equally pleasing with smaller numbers, and the beauty of the score, which is everywhere masterly, will make itself more clearly felt. The very admirable manner in which this ode was performed is deserving the highest praise. The precision of the chorus was remarkable, and some portions were models of choral singing. The chorus of the Sacred Harmonic Society may well be gratified with so perfect a performance of a not very easy work with so little study and rehearsal. They have added another to their already long list of musical triumphs. M. Sainton, for the reasons we have mentioned above, conducted the performance of the Ode, and deserves great credit for the very able manner in which he acquitted himself in a most unenviable position—a position in which he never ought to have been placed. M. Auber's "March" was the next piece in the programme. For a composer of the mature age of 81, and of so industrious a disposition, the freshness of this "March" is something wonderful. Of course, it bears the mark of coming from the author of *Massaniello*, *Fra Diavolo*, and the other numerous charming French operas with which we are so familiar; but it is nevertheless new, nothing is borrowed, and every phrase is treated with that grace and piquancy so peculiarly his own. After a few introductory chords forming an ascending chromatic scale, a lovely movement in triple time is introduced for the cornet-a-pistons, supported by the trombones. This is very delicious, and will no doubt be often heard during the ensuing season from our military bands. The next movement, which commences with a *pizzicato* passage for all the strings in turn, was quite inaudible. We then have a delightful melody suggested by a movement from one of Haydn's *Symphonies*. This, treated with admirable skill, and a charming effect. The march winds up as most of Auber's overtures do, with a brilliant and exciting subject, very fully scored, similar to the close of the overture to *Fra Diavolo*, but without the slightest repetition or plagiarism of that work. To describe how it was played would be only to repeat what we have already said of the execution of Meyerbeer's overture. The "Hallelujah" and "Amen" choruses from *The Messiah* were performed after the address from the Commissioners had been presented; and the grandeur of this stupendous chorus was in no wise diminished by the music which had preceded it. The want of the organ, however, was sensibly felt, and the effect, although surpassing that of the other pieces, was not what it was in 1851, and was inferior to what has been produced at Sydenham. Nothing, perhaps, could more strikingly illustrate the genius of Handel than this performance. While every facility for producing grand results has, since his day, been afforded to composers by the perfection of the instruments with which he was familiar, and by the introduction of many of which he never dreamt, yet in the year 1862, in the company of special works by three of the most distinguished composers of the day, the very leaders of present musical art, the simple yet masterly notes he composed nearly a hundred years ago are still unapproached in their power to move our feelings and touch our hearts. "God save the Queen" formed a fitting conclusion to this very interesting ceremonial. In unison, the voices of the tenors and basses rang out solo in unison, the verse delivered by the tenors being singularly well given. The 500 voices sounded absolutely as one.

The arrangements in the building with respect to the performers were excellent. Every one knew his place, and not a single hitch of any description occurred to interfere with the enjoyment of the music; but the Sacred Harmonic Society, with Mr. Bowley at their head, have taught us that these monster orchestras can, with proper care, be as easily managed as those of more moderate dimensions. To their admirable organization, however, no small share of the success of the day was due. The Exhibition of 1862, in whatever other respects it may fall short of that of 1851, can certainly claim a vast superiority in the musical celebration of its opening. Notwithstanding the misfortunes we have mentioned in the beginning of this notice, Her Majesty's Commissioners have secured a very fine performance of two new works of considerable pretensions by two of the most distinguished foreign composers; and they have afforded our own greatest native musician an opportunity of proving that musical art among us can produce results which need no apology in taking their place beside those of our foreign guests. At all events, the occasion has been the means of adding to our musical stores works which will be heard with pleasure when the excitement attendant upon their production shall have passed away, and whose intrinsic merits will enable them to avoid the too common fate of Installation Odes and Festival Overtures.

PROGRESS IN AMERICA.

(From the Daily News.)

The American mails now bring us something as interesting as the tidings of a series of victories, and even more important. By all reports of public meetings, and all the correspondence of the best journals, we learn how rapid and how remarkable has been the improvement in public spirit since the Government ventured to lay its finger on the seat of the political disease of the Republic. There may be more ways than one of accounting for the fresh inspiration. No doubt it is a great relief to the general spirits and temper that the long period of suspense is over—that dull time of preparation which seemed like time and reputation lost—and the recent series of victories may well animate the national pride, and induce a general good humour. But there is a better improvement than this. A spirit is daily rising which does not depend on success and-glory for its vigour. It is not created by victory, but would have been at least as strong as it is if the Confederates had won each of the battles that they have lost. The citizens are learning more and more to see their case as others see it—as their fathers foresaw it—as their posterity will regard it in the retrospect. The delay and difficulty about discerning the right which always occur where large numbers are concerned, constitute the danger and weakness of popular government: but the certainty that the right, when once plainly discerned, will be done, is the more than compensating strength of genuine republican government; and the rate at which the people of the United States have recently been travelling towards their true point of view calls for deeper congratulations than military successes can ever command.

There are two ways in which the advance appears. Public men have a clearer view and a higher sense of what they are about, and the people are coming forward more openly and strongly to declare their opinions and intentions.

Up to a very recent time it was impossible to extract from any public man any account of what he proposed or anticipated as the upshot of the conflict. Now, there are many who speak flat about the necessity of abolishing Slavery, if a central government is to exist on the whole country as before. We are not thinking now of flowery orators who try to enchant their Northern audiences with pictures of a Southern Eden, all love and joy, when Northern principles shall prevail on Southern plantations, and everybody shall do what is right, and nobody shall fear malice for their own. In a community which takes its recreation in lecture-halls there must be flattery and poetry in public speaking, and such smooth prophesying should go for only what it is worth. We refer to the public men who see so plainly the peril and difficulty of dealing with the peculiar form of property and class of proprietors in the South that they have put off too long the necessary task of dealing with both. These representatives of Republican statesmanship are now at length declaring openly that there can be no sort of understanding between North and South while Slavery lasts: that the people cannot live as comrades under a common Government, nor the States as partners under a federal organization, nor the two sections as separate adjoining nations, while an institution exists which entails poverty and virtual despotism within its own limits, and political embarrassment to everybody outside. The tendency to comprise is dying out at Washington and in the State legislatures, and political men no longer believe that all questions can be settled by refusing, later than the immediate humiliation of the South. They no longer mistake for hostility every intimation from any quarter that there will be further work to be done and further difficulty to dispose of when the Confederate force is scattered to the winds.

As for the other method of advance, it is yet more striking, and is going on throughout. The men to whom who know the Americans well that the people have been so retired and silent as they have been. They have sent their strong men to the war, and dedicated their wealth without stint to the public service: but they have neither spoken for themselves nor instructed public men what to say for them. The new tax bill will bring them forward. The great value of that measure is as a test of the popular will and sentiment. It might have been a less stringent test, and it ought to have been so. A little knowledge of political economy on the part of some who seem to have everything to learn in that department would have spared the Northern citizens a vast amount of sacrifice and suffering which will be as useless as needless: but, be the new taxes what they may, they will be eagerly paid, because they are a mode of expression and action for the people. There is something very striking in the way in which multitudes are studying their liabilities and laying out their means for paying such an amount of taxation as has never before been dreamed of in their country. They know that they cannot now retreat from the conflict which the South chose to begin: and they hear daily from the advancing army news which excites a vehement desire to end the war quickly, and by the only effectual means. As the troops advance, every regiment, and every man in each regiment, sees with his own eyes what Slavery is, and how it is in fact answerable for every death in the field: and when the soldiers write home, "if you spare *it* you murder *us*," the national spirit rises to inquire how the curse may be best dealt with. We now meet with confessions as contrite as could be desired of the weakness and sin of long complicity with Slavery: and both the cupidity and the cowardice of past times are flung away. The citizens are telling one another that the appeal now is to them: and that they will so pay their taxes as to leave no doubt of their will and intent. It is to be wished that the taxes were of a wiser kind, and less at variance with Republican principle; but that is another affair. Perhaps we will learn political economy and the political philosophy of taxation by the process they have now to go through. The present interest is in the readiness with which they consent to, and prepare to support, imposts far heavier than those for which they have been wont to pity other nations.

The probability is that they will pay with less difficulty than other people. In their prosperous young society money is lightly got and lightly parted with. Scarcely anybody lays by: and little is known of the economy which is common in old countries. Their money does not stick by them nor they by their money; and such cupidity as exists among them is even more short-sighted than elsewhere. Thus, it is probable that they will pay freely—at least till they discover the bad quality of particular imposts: and then they will, as usual, soon invent a better method to take the place of the old.

The rapidly changing tone about European action and opinion is an evidence of improved public spirit at home. At first, there was a rush to conclusions which are now found to be false. It took the wisest citizens a week to perceive that neutrality did not mean taking the side of the North: and it has taken the American public nearly a year to see why the Queen's proclamation could not be delayed, and that it and other avowals did not make the international law on which they proceeded. But these truths are now apprehended by a large and daily increasing proportion of the public. We may see them inquiring in all directions whether qualified persons believe in the existence of British hostility: and we know what answers they get from men whose judgment is valuable. Many mistakes remain to be set right: but in proportion as the Northern people discern their real business to be the abolition of Slavery, they learn to understand the nature and direction of British sympathy. Accordingly, we hear less and less of conquering our colonies and fighting us: and when they shall have established free labour in the South and free trade in the North they will see, better than we can show them yet, where they have misapprehended their best friends. Meantime, their friends, and all observers, ought to be so clear-sighted to the signs of the times as to perceive the great advance recently made by the Northern Americans in the understanding and appreciation of their own duties and their own great cause.

LITERATURE.

L'OUVRIERE.*

(From the London Review.)

M. Jules Simon has long been honourably known as occupying a distinguished position among the philosophers of France. A pupil of Cousin, he became his master's deputy at the Sorbonne in 1839, and for twelve years kept up all the *eclat* which had attended the lectures of that brilliant rhetorician. The year 1848 brought him for the first time into public life, and he was elected representative for the Cotes-du-Nord. Even then he had begun to interest himself for the lower orders. He made one of the commission appointed to superintend the organization of labour. In the perilous days of June, he was amongst those who showed most courage in going among the insurgents, and he was chosen president of the commission charged with the care of the wounded. In December, 1851, his course of lectures was suspended by special decree, and a few months later his refusal to give in his allegiance to the new Government terminated his political existence. Of late years he has interested himself greatly in the condition of the working classes. The book before us is the immediate result of his inquiries into the state of the operatives employed in the chief manufactures of France. It acquires a melancholy interest, as contradicting the notion, too widely spread in this country, that if the Imperial *regime* is distasteful to the upper ranks of French society, it has at least brought happiness to the masses. There is little evidence of such happiness in "L'Ouvriere."

M. Simon divides his subject into four parts, treating first of those persons employed in the manufacture of silk; secondly, of those employed in all other manufactures where machinery is used; and, thirdly, of what he terms "la petite industrie," under which head he comprehends every species of work done by hand. The fourth and last part of the book is devoted to the summing up of the great argument which runs through the whole of it, namely, that all efforts to improve the condition of the operative classes must be useless unless the woman occupies her natural position of manager of the household and nurse to the children; in fact, till both man and woman can, from infancy, enjoy the safeguards of home.

It is, perhaps, scarcely necessary to say that Lyons is the great centre of silk manufacture. Its production are everywhere sought after, and though everywhere imitated, there is a certain perfection in the true Lyonese silks which has not yet been attained by those of any other place. Of all manufactures it is the one which affords most employment to women, from the time when the egg of the silkworm is first bought, and through the different stages of its progress, till they are required to make it up into various objects of utility. But there is one point at which they become useless. They are unable to design patterns, or form combinations of colours—a fact which has been proved by a long series of unsuccessful experiments.

The Lyonese merchant is not the superintendent of his own works; or, rather, he has no works to superintend. He buys the raw silk, and has it woven in workshops which do not belong to him. M. Simon gives an interesting account of the persons at the head of these workshops, who form a class by themselves:—

"The masters," he says, "of workshops form a very interesting and very curious class not to be found elsewhere, for they are distinctly working-men, and do not seek, like most master-men in other branches of trade, to connect themselves with the *bourgeoisie*. Whether they are sons of artisans, or whether they have worked their position by labouring long as journeymen, they do their day's work in the workshop like the others: their work is paid for by the merchant in the same way, and at the same price; they direct their apprentices, but do not interfere with the journeymen, over whom they have no more authority than a landlord over his tenant. They wear the same costume, and meet at the same places of amusement on a Sunday."

These positions are frequently filled by women, who stand at the head of their profession, both as regards the wages they receive and the conditions under which they work. These are most favourable. They are not compelled to leave their homes, and can consequently give all necessary attention to domestic duties, while without violent exertions they can earn from five to seven francs in the day. The lot of those under them is very different. The weavers *(tisserandes)*, who occupy the next place, cannot, under the most fortunate circumstances; circumstances which fluctuate greatly, gain more than 50 centimes, or 5d. English, per day. For this they are compelled to work twelve hours in the twenty-four. Even below these there are several kinds of workers, who have charge of the different processes through which the silk goes. Their wages in some cases fall low as 80 centimes. We must add that they are never free as from the chance of being out of work *(le chômage)*; at the best of times there are some among them who do not work more than three days in a week.

The protection awarded by a law to young women and children is of little avail, from the absence of any proper machinery to work it. It aims at rather less than the English law in favour of the same persons, comprehending in the youngest class children those from eight to twelve, and in England it is eight to thirteen. Moreover, one hour more work is required of young children, and half an hour more of adult children, than in England. The people of Lyons are unwilling to send their daughters to the manufactories, and the young apprentices for the most part come from a distance.

M. Simon urges in the strongest manner the advantages of decentralizing labour. The two chief of these are, first, that the *chef d'atelier*, or middleman, is got rid of: and, secondly, that the system of work adopted can be carried out at home. This is the case at Viersen and Crefeld, where it succeeds admirably: but all he says on the subject is of course only applicable to the manufacture of silk.

The second part of the book describes the remaining manufactures of France, principally directing its attention to spinning and wool-carding. The latter is less unhealthy and less disagreeable than the former. Spinning is one of the occupations require to be pursued in a high temperature and with water, and the result of which is that the female operatives employed are compelled to spend their day of thirteen hours and a half, standing half naked, with their bare feet in water, and the transition from the extreme heat to the outer cold entails a large proportion of chest disease. Of this M. Simon gives the following as the rule. On the whole, women occupied in factories have little to complain of as far as their actual work is concerned. But the total absence of family life and the many evils that thence from, reduces them to the utmost misery. The rate of mortality is frightful. In Viviers and Aubenas, Madon and Besson, 43 per cent. of children died at the creches, or public nurseries, in one year; 83 per cent. at the Foundling Hospital. Thus, though families are large, population is stationary. Drunkenness exists to an enormous extent, in spite of every effort of the masters to check it; and St. Quentin, Rheims, Rouen, and Lille, more than rival Paris in profligacy. We shall not follow M. Simon through his description of the homes, such as they are, to be found in these principal manufacturing towns. The homes of an overcrowded population must be only too familiar to all in this country, where everything is made public, though we know of no remedy. Signals must be where an exactly opposite line of conduct is pursued.

As the two first portions of "L'Ouvrier" are written to prove that family life cannot exist without the constant presence of the woman, so the third shows that the woman cannot exist in an isolated position. It treats of the various ways of making the finest lace down to washing and plain sewing. Lace produces but little to the actual worker. Those who make the two richest kinds, point d'Alençon and Valenciennes, gain from one franc to one franc thirty centimes a day. The latter is no longer made to any extent in the place which bears its name, but comes chiefly from Ypres, Courtray, Ghent, and other towns in Flanders.

Another of the *petites industries* is the cutting and polishing of precious stones:—

"It is easy to understand that Paris is the centre of artificial flower-making, but by what *bizarre* and inexplicable anomalies are the lapidaries settled at Septmoncel on the summit of the Jura? The diamond is cut at Amsterdam by the aid of powerful machinery and in vast workshops, as befits the richest jewel of the earth; the rest of our gems, the ruby, the sapphire, the green emerald, the pale aqua-marine with its soft light, the charming amethyst, the opal with its glaring colours, all these toys of luxury and folly are cut and polished in the wilds of a desert, by an indigent and purely mountainous population?"

Watchmaking is scarcely recognised as a trade for women in France. M. Simon suggests it as one they might be employed in with advantage. After speaking of several trifling callings, of stone-cutting, engraving, gilding, and others, he proceeds to mention three equally necessary everywhere, namely, domestic service, washing, and sewing. In Paris there is one great evil peculiar to the former. The enormous cost of houserent drives the landlord to economise every corner of space. The result is that the servants are packed away in wretched garrets under the roofs, hot and stifling in summer, bitterly cold in winter, not to mention the manifold evils which arise from the absolute want of all superintendence on the part of either master or landlord. The condition of needlewomen in Paris is almost exactly similar to that of the same class in London. In the best times, after allowing the smallest possible sums for rent, fuel, and clothes, there remains a fraction less than sixpence a day to supply every other want. The fact is that labour, unless accompanied by skill or brute strength, is almost useless for the purposes of a livelihood out of a manufactory.

The fourth and concluding division describes the various means which have been tried to raise the position of the workman by benefit clubs, savings-banks, and mutual aid societies. The most successful attempt appears to be that which has founded a workmen's colony *(cite ouvrière)* at Mulhouse:—

"Between Mulhouse and Dornach a wide plain extends itself, crossed by the canal which surrounds the town. There, in good air, on the banks of the canal, in close proximity to the factories, the society of workmen's colonies has traced the plan of its new town. The ground is perfectly flat: the streets, in which space has not been economised, are built at right angles. As each house is surrounded by a garden, trees and flowers are to be seen on all sides, and the air is as pure, and circulates with as much freedom, as in the open country."

These houses cost the workman from 2,400 to 3,000 francs, payable in instalments. The idea of each man becoming a proprietor at first made but slow progress, but in 1861 there was but ninety-seven out of 560 houses unsold.

We heartily recommend M. Simon's book to our readers. In the short space of a review it is impossible to do justice to the pure, kindly, elevated tone which pervades it throughout, any more than to its sterling good sense and its freedom from the whining cant and sickly sentimentality which too often accompany benevolence.

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